



DENISE PETERSON, JD, FCIARB

ATTORNEY – ARBITRATOR –
MEDIATOR - SOLICITOR

MEDIATOR

Texas Department of Insurance
Mediation Panel Member

ARBITRATOR

Panel Membership:
AAA: Consumer
FINRA
State Comptroller of Texas

ADMISSIONS

State Bar of Texas
Southern District of Texas
Eastern District of Texas
Senior Courts of England and
Wales

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EXPERIENCE

PETERSONADR

2016 TO PRESENT

Alternative dispute resolution firm providing mediation and arbitration services by a dedicated, professional neutral both online and in person. Ms. Peterson has arbitrated over 130 cases to date, both single-seat and full panel. Ms. Peterson frequently mediates personal injury, premises liability, construction, and real estate cases as well as business and commercial cases.

She is a sought-after educator on mediation, arbitration, and ethics.

MORGAN, LEWIS, AND BOCKIUS

2011 TO 2015

Associate attorney handling litigation, investigation, regulatory compliance, and alternative dispute resolution in banking, consumer debt, product liability, labor and employment, and intellectual property.

HARRIS COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

2009 TO 2010

Internship in the Family Criminal Law Division trying Protective Orders for survivors of domestic violence under the supervision of a senior attorney.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Fellow, Houston Bar Foundation
- Member, Texas Bar Honors College
- Member, Houston International Arbitration Club
- Member, Association of Attorney Mediators
- Member, Houston Bar Association
- Member, The Woodlands Bar Association
- Member, Mexican American Bar Association of Houston
- Member, Muslim-American Bar Association of Houston
- Member, Hispanic Bar Association of Houston

EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

- The Woodlands Bar Association
 - Director

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- Scholarship Committee

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Super Lawyers: ADR
 - 2021 Award Year
- Super Lawyers: Rising Star
 - 2020 Award Year
- Houstonia Magazine: Top Attorney
 - 2018, 2019, 2020

PAPERS AND ARTICLES

- Dispositive Motions in Arbitration: Cracking Open the Black Box
 - Houston Lawyer Magazine, January/February 2021 Edition

MEDIATION INSTRUCTION & CLE

- Implicit Bias for Attorneys, October 2020
 - Bexar County Women Attorney Association
- Acts of Allyship, August 2020
 - Bexar County Women Attorney Association
- Implicit Bias: Ethics for Mediators, July 2020
 - Montgomery County Dispute Resolution Center
- LGBTQIA Issues in Mediation, July 2020
 - Montgomery County Dispute Resolution Center
- What's Next: A Series on adaptive law during COVID, May 2020
- Implicit Bias: Addressing and Correcting, February 2020
 - Muslim Bar Association of Houston
- Handling Difficult Clients, February 2020
 - Houston Bar Association's Annual CLE Day
- Tales from the Crypt: Avoiding the Grievance Process, November 2019
 - Galveston Bar Association
- When to Mediate and How to Prepare, August 2019
 - Houston Young Lawyers Association (HYLA)
- Ethics in Mediation, July 2019
 - Texas State Bar Summer Conference
- LGBT Issues in Mediation, May 2019
 - Montgomery County Dispute Resolution Center
- Implicit Bias in Mediation, May 2019

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- Montgomery County Dispute Resolution Center
- When to Pull the Trigger on Mediation, May 2019
 - The Woodlands Bar
 - Mexican American Bar Association of Houston
- Prompt and Cost-Effective Resolution of Your Case, April 2019
 - Houston Bar Association
- Advanced ADR 2019 – Texas Bar CLE, January 2019
 - Panel Speaker on Bias in Mediation
- When to Pull the Trigger on Mediation, November 2019
 - Houston Lawyer’s Association
- Ethical Issues in Mediating Protective Orders, November 2016
 - Montgomery County Dispute Resolution Center
- Mediation with LGBT Clients, November 2016
 - Harris County Dispute Resolution Center
 - Montgomery County Dispute Resolution Center
- Ethical Issues in Civil Mediation, 2016
 - Montgomery County Dispute Resolution Center

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- Maritime Arbitration Certificate – Lloyd’s of London, 2018
- Qualified Lawyer’s Transfer Scheme, 2018
- Path to Fellowship, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, 2017
- Forty Hour Mediation Certificate, 2016
- Arbitration Certification, 2016

EDUCATION

SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE OF LAW, JD, 2010

- ABA Regional Negotiation Competition Champion, 2010
- ABA National Negotiation Competition Competitor, 2009
- Vis Moot Brief Writer, 2010

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON, BA HISTORY, 2007

- Graduated Magna Cum Laude
- Provost’s Undergraduate Research Scholarship
- History Honors Society